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IDENTICAL LETTERS DATED 11 DECEMBER 1996 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF ANGOLA TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL AND TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

I am forwarding to you for the attention of the Security Council a communiqué which refers to the Presidential decrees nominating the nine Generals of the União Nacional para a Independência Total de Angola (UNITA) to various posts in the Angolan Armed Forces (FAA) in accordance with the Declaration issued by the leadership of UNITA in Luanda today, 11 December 1996.

I should like to request that the present letter and its annex be circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Afonso VAN-DUNEM "MBINDA"
Ambassador
Permanent Representative

Annex

Communiqué issued at Luanda on 11 December 1996

The Coordinating Body of the Angolan Peace Process reports that the President of the Republic, His Excellency Jose Eduardo dos Santos, using the powers given to him by Constitutional Law, has issued orders and respective decrees of appointment to functions in the Ministry of Defence and in the Angolan Armed Forces (FAA) of the following UNITA Generals:

General Demostenes Amos Chilingutila, to be Vice-Minister of Defence;

General Arlindo Chanda Isaac Pena "Ben Ben", to be Deputy Chief of the Armed Forces Staff;

General Augusto Domingos Lutock Liahuka "Wiyn", to be Deputy Inspector General of the Angolan Armed Forces;

General David Salvador Katata, to be Deputy Chief of the Army General Staff;

General Jeronimo George Ngonga Ukuma "Regresso", to be Director of Policies of National Defence;

General Alberto Kanjongo Pongolola, to be Commander of the Luanda district;

Lieutenant-General Felizberto Njele, to be Deputy Chief of the Military Security Service;

Lieutenant-General Job Sungueto Inacio "Long Fellow", to be Director of the Military Academy;

Brigadier Julio Lopes Chipa, to be Second Commander of the Central Military Region.

The Chief of the Armed Forces General Staff has issued the order of incorporation and appointment of the other UNITA high-ranking officers to the Armed Forces.